

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

1. (CANCELLED)
2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The grilling component as recited in claim ~~1~~4 wherein said angle is approximately  $0.8^{\circ}$ .
3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The grilling component as recited in claim ~~1~~4 wherein said beveled portion is heated by said second heating structure.
4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A grilling component for grilling an item comprising:  
a first grilling structure including a first heating structure, a first endless member moveable around said first heating structure, and a first surface heated by said first heating structure;  
a second grilling structure including a second heating structure, a second endless member moveable around said second heating structure, a second surface defining a plane and heated by said second heating structure, and a beveled portion, wherein said beveled portion extends from said plane at an angle;  
a gap defined between said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure; and  
~~The grilling component as recited in claim 1~~ a frame, wherein said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure each include a slider and the grilling component further includes a frame, and said slider that is slidable along said frame to move said first grilling component and said second grilling component relative to said frame in a substantially horizontal direction.
5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The grilling component as recited in claim 4 wherein said second grilling component is removably attached to a second component, and said first grilling component is slidable relative to said second grilling component in said substantially horizontal direction.

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A grilling component for grilling an item comprising:  
a first grilling structure including a first heating structure, a first endless member  
moveable around said first heating structure, and a first surface heated by said first heating  
structure;  
a second grilling structure including a second heating structure, a second endless member  
moveable around said second heating structure, a second surface defining a plane and heated by  
said second heating structure, and a beveled portion, wherein said beveled portion extends from  
said plane at an angle; and  
a gap defined between said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure.~~The~~  
~~grilling component as recited in claim 1~~  
wherein said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure each include a track,  
and said first heating structure and said second heating structure each include a rail received in  
said track, and  
wherein said first heating structure and said second heating structure are slidable relative  
to said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure, respectively, to move said first  
heating structure and said second heating structure relative to said first grilling structure and said  
second grilling structure, respectively.
7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The grilling component as recited in claim ~~1~~4 wherein said  
gap between said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure is adjustable.

8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A grilling component for grilling an item comprising:

a first grilling structure including a first heating structure, a first endless member moveable around said first heating structure, and a first surface heated by said first heating structure;

a second grilling structure including a second heating structure, a second endless member moveable around said second heating structure, a second surface defining a plane and heated by said second heating structure, and a beveled portion, wherein said beveled portion extends from said plane at an angle; and

a gap defined between said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure.~~The grilling component as recited in claim 1~~

wherein said first grilling structure includes a first arm having a first arched surface and a second arched surface, and

wherein said second grilling structure includes a second arm pivotally attached to said second grilling structure and including two bearings, and one of said first arched surface and said second arched surface is received between said two bearings when said grilling component is in an attached position, and

wherein said gap has a first dimension when said first arched surface is positioned between said two bearings and said gap has a second dimension when said second arched surface is positioned between said two bearings.

9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The grilling component as recited in claim 8 further including two of said first arm each located on one of an opposing first sides-side of said first grilling structure and two of said second arm each located on one of an opposing second sides-side of said second grilling structure,~~and said two bearings extend between said two of said second arm.~~

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A grilling component for grilling an item comprising:

a first grilling structure including a first heating structure, a first endless member moveable around said first heating structure, and a first surface heated by said first heating structure;

a second grilling structure including a second heating structure, a second endless member moveable around said second heating structure, a second surface defining a plane and heated by said second heating structure, and a beveled portion, wherein said beveled portion extends from said plane at an angle; and

a gap defined between said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure.~~The grilling component as recited in claim 1~~

wherein each of said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure include a drive pulley having a drive pulley groove and a non-drive pulley having a non-drive pulley groove, and

wherein said first endless member and said second endless member each include two v-belts on an inner surface of both each said first endless member and said second endless member, and

wherein one of said two v-belts of said first endless member and said second endless member engage said drive pulley groove of said drive pulley of each of said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure and the other of said two v-belts of said first endless member and said second endless member engage said non-drive pulley groove of said non-drive pulley of each of said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure.

11. (CANCELLED)

12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A grilling component for grilling an item comprising:  
a first grilling structure including a first heating structure, a first endless member  
moveable around said first heating structure, and a first surface heated by said first heating  
structure;  
a second grilling structure including a second heating structure, a second endless member  
moveable around said second heating structure, a second surface defining a plane and heated by  
said second heating structure, and a beveled portion, wherein said beveled portion extends from  
said plane at an angle; and  
a gap defined between said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure.~~The~~  
~~grilling component as recited in claim 1~~  
wherein said first endless member includes a pair of first opposing edges and further  
including a first edge seal is located on each of the pair of first opposing edges,~~of said first~~  
~~endless member and~~  
wherein said second endless member includes a pair of second opposing edges and a  
second edge seal is located on each of the pair of second opposing edges~~of said second endless~~  
~~member.~~
13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The grilling component as recited in claim 12 wherein each  
of said first edge seal of said first endless member and seals contact one of said second edge seal  
of said second endless member contact seals at a contact point.
14. (ORIGINAL) The grilling component as recited in claim 13 further including a seal  
positioned between said first heating component and said second heating component.
15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The grilling component as recited in claim ~~1~~4 further  
including an exit ramp positioned proximate to an exit of said gap of said grilling component, a  
sensor, and a seasoning device to dispense seasoning, ~~and wherein~~ said seasoning device  
dispenses said seasoning on the item when said sensor detects the item is located on said exit  
ramp.

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The grilling component as recited in claim ~~1~~4 wherein said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure extend approximately 5° from a vertical plane.

17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A grilling component for grilling an item comprising:

a first grilling structure including a first heating structure, a first endless member moveable around said first heating structure, and a first slider;

a second grilling structure including a second heating structure, a second endless member moveable around said second heating structure, and a second slider;

a gap defined between said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure, ~~and~~ wherein the item is grilled while traveling in said gap; and

a frame, ~~and wherein~~ said first slider and said second slider are slidable along said frame to move said first grilling component and said second grilling component in a substantially horizontal direction relative to said frame.

18. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The grilling component as recited in claim 17 wherein said second grilling component is removably attached to a second component, and said first grilling component is slidable relative to said second grilling component in said substantially horizontal direction.

19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A grilling component for grilling ana item comprising:

a first grilling structure including a first heating structure having a first rail, a first endless member moveable around said first heating structure, and a first track, wherein said first rail is slidably received in said first track and said first heating structure is slidable relative to said first grilling structure by sliding said first rail relative to said first track;

a second grilling structure including a second heating structure having a second rail, a second endless member moveable around said second heating structure, and a second track, wherein said second rail is slidably received in said second track and said second heating structure is slidable relative to said second grilling structure by sliding said second rail relative to said second track; and

a gap defined between said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure, and wherein the item is grilled while traveling in said gap.

20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The ~~fueling~~ grilling component as recited in claim 1 whreein the item is grilled when traveling in said gap.

21. (NEW) A grilling component for grilling an item comprising:

a first grilling structure including a first heating structure, a first endless member moveable around said first heating structure, a first length and a first surface heated by said first heating structure;

a second grilling structure including a second heating structure, a second endless member moveable around said second heating structure, a second length, a second surface defining a plane and heated by said second heating structure, and a beveled portion, wherein said beveled portion extends from said plane at an angle, and wherein the first length is substantially the same as the second length; and

a gap defined between said first grilling structure and said second grilling structure.